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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Plans

VIA : Chief/CI Staff
Chief/FI Staff

SUBJECT : Visit of the President of the
Bundeskriminalamt (BKA) to the
United States

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 3 requiring approval by the DDP.

2. Mr. Paul Dickopf, President of the Bundeskriminalamt (BKA), a consular agent of this Agency, will travel to the United States in September 1967 on official business. He will spend several days in Washington, D. C. from September 11 through 15 September for meetings with the Director of the Office of Public Safety, of AID, and with representatives of the FBI and the Treasury Department. Mr. Dickopf has set aside two days to meet with representatives of this Agency to discuss matters of mutual interest, and he has indicated a particular interest in the topic of records administration as it applies to his organization.

3. Our past relationship with Mr. Dickopf is close-fisted but official liaison is used as cover for meetings with him. We propose to meet with him in a conference room in the East Building on Tuesday, September 12, and Wednesday morning, September 13. It is expected that a representative of the DDP/Systems Group and German Branch staff officers who are known to Mr. Dickopf will participate in these briefings.

4. Expenses associated with this visit will be minimal, to include dinners and luncheons either at a downtown restaurant or at a staff officer's home.

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5. It is requested that the DDP approve the visit of Mr. Dickopf.

6. Attached is a biographic sketch of Mr. Dickopf.

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European Division

CONCUR:

Chief/CI Staff

Chief/FI Staff

APPROVAL:

Deputy Director for Plans

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PERSONALITY ANNEX - CARAVEL

CARAVEL was born 9 June 1910 to Muschenbach, Germany. He studied biology and administrative law at the University of Frankfurt/Main in 1928, in Vienna and Berlin during 1929, and again in Frankfurt/Main from 1930-34. In the fall of 1934, in order to avoid joining the NSDAP, CARAVEL voluntarily enlisted in the German Army for one year. Thereafter he continued the study of law, concentrating on criminal and police law. In February 1936 he joined the Student League (NSDStB) to further his career, and he became a candidate for the German criminal police. In 1937 he took the aptitude tests at the Police Institute in Berlin and in 1938 he enlisted as a candidate for higher criminal law courses at the University of Frankfurt/Main. From June 1938 to October 1938 he was in training with the criminal police in Frankfurt, then he attended the Police Academy in Berlin until 1939. After working in Frankfurt and Karlsruhe, he was transferred to the Abwehr in Stuttgart in 1942. Because of moral objections to the Nazi regime he fled Germany that same year and spent sometime traveling with friends in Brussels. In July 1943 he fled to Switzerland. There he was interned for a period and then released to cooperate with the Swiss and American authorities (OSS) to work against the German Secret Service in Switzerland. In 1946 CARAVEL returned to Germany to continue his police work, but because there was little he could do until he attained demobilization, he was heard in a Wiesbaden court in 1948. He was cleared of all charges, and at the same time police record was made of his wartime activities on behalf of the OSS. Shortly thereafter he was appointed to the position of Vice President of the West German Criminal Police (Bundeskriminalamt - BKA) by the Allied Military Government authorities, and is today the Chief of that organization. CARAVEL is the German representative to INTERPOL and has travelled to many foreign countries, primarily on INTERPOL business, and has made many contacts in police and security services throughout the world.

CARAVEL has actually been in contact with American Intelligence since 1945 and he continues to believe that the future of a democratic Germany is dependent upon the United States. CARAVEL's

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motivation thus appears to be based primarily on idealistic grounds. However, since 1950 we have provided him with a small monthly payment supposed to cover operational expenses in our behalf, but which is primarily designed to give the case officer some additional control factor.

CARAVEL continues to receive requests levied by this Agency and he has provided many significant reports on particular subjects over the years. Unfortunately, he is greatly overworked in his position as President of the BKA and the amount of time he can devote to the fulfillment of specific Agency requests is frequently quite limited.